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TO: Honorable John Carona, Chair, Senate Committee On Business & Commerce

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB516 by Eltife (Relating to the distribution of ale by certain brewers.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

This bill would amend Chapter 12 of the Alcoholic Beverage Code regarding the brewer's permit. The bill would increase, from 75,000 to 125,000 barrels, the maximum combined annual production of ale and beer allowable for a permittee to sell and allows a permittee to sell ale they produced to the same persons to whom a general class B wholesaler may sell. The permittee's annual sales of ale and beer under this provision would be limited to 40,000 barrels. The Alcoholic Beverage Commission has determined that the bill would not result in a significant fiscal impact to the State.

This bill would take effect September 1, 2013 only if the 83rd Legislature, Regular Session, 2013, also enacts legislation that becomes law and amends the Alcoholic Beverage Code to allow small brewers to sell to retailers. If such legislation is not enacted, this bill would have no effect.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 304 Comptroller of Public Accounts, 458 Alcoholic Beverage Commission

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